

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 4 as indicated below. Please add new claims 5-21. Please cancel claims 1-3. Deletions appear in ~~strike through font~~, and additions are underlined.

Complete listing of claims

Claims 1-3 (Cancelled)

4. (Withdrawn, currently amended) ~~Agent in accordance with claim 1A~~ composition for the occlusion of a blood or a lymphatic vessel, comprising an agent to effect the occlusion of said blood or lymphatic vessel and a physiologically safe dye, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the agent for effecting the occlusion of a vessel comprises a histoacryl glue.
5. (New) An agent according to claim 4, wherein the physiologically safe dye is selected from methylene blue, quinoline yellow, patent blue, tolonium chloride, indocyanine green, a foodstuff dye, and a fluorescence dye.
6. (New) A method for the occlusion of a blood or a lymphatic vessel comprising applying a composition to effect the occlusion of said blood or lymphatic vessel to a desired site,

wherein said composition comprises an agent to effect the occlusion of said blood or lymphatic vessel and a physiologically safe dye, and

wherein the application of the composition to said desired site stains the occluded blood or lymphatic vessel.

7. (New) A method according to claim 6, wherein the agent to effect the occlusion of said blood or lymphatic vessel comprises a fibrinogen solution.
8. (New) A method according to claim 7, wherein the composition to effect the occlusion of said blood or lymphatic vessel further comprises a thrombin preparation.
9. (New) A method according to claim 8, wherein the composition to effect the occlusion of said blood or lymphatic vessel further comprises blood coagulation factor XIII.
10. (New) A method according to claim 6, wherein the physiologically safe dye is selected from methylene blue, quinoline yellow, patent blue, toloum chloride, indocyanine green, a foodstuff dye, and a fluorescence dye.
11. (New) A method according to claim 7, wherein the physiologically safe dye is selected from methylene blue, quinoline yellow, patent blue, toloum chloride, indocyanine green, a foodstuff dye, and a fluorescence dye.
12. (New) A method according to claim 6, wherein the agent to effect the occlusion of said blood or lymphatic vessel comprises a histoacryl glue.

13. (New) A method according to claim 12, wherein the physiologically safe dye is selected from methylene blue, quinoline yellow, patent blue, tolonium chloride, indocyanine green, a foodstuff dye, and a fluorescence dye.
14. (New) A method to distinguish between healthy and diseased tissue comprising applying a composition to effect the occlusion of a blood or a lymphatic vessel to a desired site, wherein the application of the composition to the desired site stains at least part of the diseased tissue, and

visually distinguishing the stained diseased tissue from the non-stained healthy tissue,

wherein said composition comprises an agent to effect the occlusion of said blood or lymphatic vessel and a physiologically safe dye.
15. (New) A method according to claim 14, wherein the agent to effect the occlusion of said blood or lymphatic vessel comprises a fibrinogen solution.
16. (New) A method according to claim 15, wherein the composition to effect the occlusion of said blood or lymphatic vessel further comprises a thrombin preparation.
17. (New) A method according to claim 16, wherein the composition to effect the occlusion of said blood or lymphatic vessel further comprises blood coagulation factor XIII.

18. (New) A method according to claim 14, wherein the physiologically safe dye is selected from methylene blue, quinoline yellow, patent blue, tolonium chloride, indocyanine green, a foodstuff dye, and a fluorescence dye.
19. (New) A method according to claim 15, wherein the physiologically safe dye is selected from methylene blue, quinoline yellow, patent blue, tolonium chloride, indocyanine green, a foodstuff dye, and a fluorescence dye.
20. (New) A method according to claim 14, wherein the agent to effect the occlusion of said blood or lymphatic vessel comprises a histoacryl glue.
21. (New) A method according to claim 20, wherein the physiologically safe dye is selected from methylene blue, quinoline yellow, patent blue, tolonium chloride, indocyanine green, a foodstuff dye, and a fluorescence dye.